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SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP TO DPC MINISTERIAL: BASIC ISSUES OF DEFENSE
PLANNING

REF: STATE 159069, STATE 154216, USNATO 3650

1. DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL PANSA, IN HIS CAPACITY AS
CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP OF AD-70 (EWG), HAS
PUBLISHED REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR FOLLOW-UP ACTION BY
EWG ON BASIC ISSUES OF DEFENSE PLANNING (AC/281-D(73)2; TEXT
OF REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE QUOTED BELOW). PANSA IS
UTILIZING SILENCE PROCEDURE FOR APPROVAL OF TERMS OF
REFERENCE; UNLESS HE HEARSS TO THE CONTRARY BY AUGUST 31, HE
WILL ASSUME THAT THE TERMS OF REFERENCE GENERALLY HAVE BEEN CONSISTEN
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WITH WASHINGTON VIEWS IN STATE 154216 AND PROPOSE SUBMIT NO
COMMENT UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED.

2. TEXT OF PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE IS QUOTED BELOW:

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EGIN TEXT:

1. THERE IS NO INTENTION TO ALTER THE BASIC PRINCIPLES
OF NATO STRATEGY, NAMELY: FLEXIBLE RESPONSE, FORWARD DEFENSE

AND DETERRENCE BASED ON A SPECTRUM OF CONVENTIONAL AND NUCLEAR CAPABILITIES.

2. IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE APPROVED NATO STRATEGY, HOWEVER, A SUBSTANTIAL CONVENTIONAL DEFENSE CAPABILITY IS NEEDED.

OBJECTIVE OF THE STUDY

3. THE OBJECTIVE OF THE STUDY IS TO REACH ALLIED AGREEMENT ON THE COMPOSITION, LEVELS AND ARMAMENTS OF CERTAIN FORCES NEEDED TO INSURE A SUBSTANTIAL CONVENTIONAL CAPABILITY, AND TO AGREE ON A PHASED PROGRAMME FOR ATTAINMENT OF AGREED GOALS.

4. IT IS NOT THE INTENTION OF THIS STUDY TO ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH NEW PROGRAMS, FORCE GOALS OR PRIORITIES, WHERE THESE ARE AGREED TO BE SATISFACTORY, OR TO DUPLICATE OR JEOPARDIZE THE EXISTING PROCESSES OF THE NATO FORCE PLANNING CYCLE AND DEFENSE REVIEW.

METHOD OF WORK

5. IN THE FIRST PHASE, THE STUDY WOULD DEAL WITH SELECTED AREAS RECOGNIZED IN AD 70 STUDIES AS IN NEED OF IMPROVEMENT IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A SUBSTANTIAL CONVENTIONAL CAPABILITY. THESE INCLUDE:

- (A) SHELTERS FOR AIRCRAFT AND PROTECTION FOR AIRFIELDS;
- (B) DEFENSE AGAINST ARMOUR;
- (C) DEFICIENCIES IN WAR RESERVE STOCK LEVELS.

6. THE EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP SHOULD IN EACH CASE ESTABLISH WHETHER CRITERIA FOR PROGRAMMES ARE AGREED AND ACCEPTED BY NATIONAL AUTHORITIES, THE EXTENT TO WHICH THESE CRITERIA ARE BEING ACHIEVED OR IMPLEMENTED; TO RECOMMEND REVISED CRITERIA WHEN NECESSARY TO ELIMINATE INCONSISTENCIES;
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AND TO RECOMMEND A TIMETABLE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL EFFORTS NEEDED TO MEET ALL AGREED CRITERIA.

7. IN A SECOND PHASE, WHICH WOULD BE BROADER IN COVERAGE, THE STUDY WOULD DEAL WITH REMAINING MAJOR ANOMALIES OR CRITICAL DEFICIENCIES IN THE ATTAINMENT OF A SUBSTANTIAL CONVENTIONAL CAPABILITY.

8. IN THE FIRST INSTANCE THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT STATUS REPORTS ON:
(A) THE ACE SHELTER AND AIRFIELD PROTECTION PROGRAMME;
(B) THE MEASURES RECOMMENDED IN AD 70 FOR IMPROVING NATO'S ARMOUR/ANTI ARMOUR CAPABILITY.

THESE REPORTS SHOULD INCLUDE AN EXAMINATION OF EXISTING CRITERIA, ANY DEFICIENCIES IN CRITERIA, AND POSSIBLE CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED.

9. AT THE SAME TIME THE DRC SUB-GROUP ON WAR RESERVE STOCKS IS INVITED TO COMPLETE THE FIRST STAGE OF ITS WORK, AND TO PROVIDE A REPORT ON THE EXISTING CRITERIA, DISCREPANCIES IN CRITERIA, AND LEVEL OF CURRENT HOLDINGS.

10. THUS CONCISE AND COMPREHENSIVE REPORTS ON ALL THREE SUBJECTS DRAWING ON MATERIAL AND STUDIES ALREADY IN HAND SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE EWG BY 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1973. FOLLOWING EXAMINATION BY NATIONAL AUTHORITIES THESE REPORTS WILL FORM THE BASIS OF DISCUSSION IN THE EWG AND SUBSEQUENT RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING ANY NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS IN BASIC CRITERIA. THEY WILL ALSO PROVIDE MATERIAL FOR THE EXAMINATION OF NATIONAL EFFORTS IN THE RELEVANT AREAS DURING THE 1973 NATO DEFENSE REVIEW. NATIONAL AUTHORITIES ARE ALSO INVITED TO SUBMIT STUDIES THAT WOULD BE OF USE TO THE EWG.

11. AS A RESULT OF THESE PROCESSES THE EWG WILL BE IN A POSITION TO MAKE THE REPORT TO MINISTERS AT THEIR DECEMBER MEETING ENVISAGED AT PARAGRAPH 6 ABOVE. THIS REPORT SHOULD INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SPECIFIC ACTION BY NATIONS TO RESRESS THE MAJOR DEFICIENCIES IDENTIFIED.

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12. CONSIDERATION OF SUITABLE TOPICS FOR STUDY IN THE SECOND PHASE SHOULD BEGIN DURING THE FIRST PHASE, AND RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO MINISTERS AT THEIR DECEMBER MEETING IN PARALLEL WITH THE DECEMBER REPORT. A FULL REPORT ON SECOND PHASE WORK SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR SUBMISSION TO MINISTERS IN SPRING 1974. END TEXT.
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